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The ADVOCATE

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Campus under construction

New vice president of facilities takes on current projects

By ZACH KOBRINSKY
Staff Writer

MSUM's new vice president of facilities and administration has been on the job less than a month, but he's got plenty of work to do.

Three weeks into his new position, Daniel Kirk is busy picking up where former Vice President of Facilities and Administration David Crockett left off with current campus construction projects.

According to Kirk, it was Crockett's dual roles as the dean of the College of Business and Industry, and as vice president of facilities and administration that caused him to relinquish the position.

"He, and probably President (Roland) Barden, decided that it made more sense to have him fill one of (the positions) than to try and do two. So, he decided to go back to the academic leadership position," Kirk said.

The role of the vice president of facilities and administration, according to Kirk, is the "nuts and bolts" aspect of the university.

"I have all the physical plant



PENNY KELLEY / THE ADVOCATE

Dragon Wellness Center construction continues outside Ballard. The \$12 million project is set to be completed by fall of 2008. The two-story, 42,000 square foot building will have an indoor track, two basketball courts, a rock climbing wall, locker and massage rooms and a group exercise studio.

operations, janitorial, maintenance, etc., public safety and security, I.T. operations in my area, business office," Kirk said.

The list of duties goes on to include acquiring capital funding, organizing facility projects and other responsibil-

ities pertaining to the physical infrastructure of the university.

"We have a lot of the good work that was done by Dr. Crockett and his staff continuing to go forward," Kirk said.

These ongoing projects

include the finalization of the MacLean project, the Kise remodeling efforts and the new \$12 million Dragon Wellness Center project that broke ground four months ago.

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School spirit soars during homecoming

By KRISTEN UNDERDAHL
Staff Writer

Nothings says Dragon pride like a Homecoming photo opportunity with Scorch.

Homecoming week started out with the Habitat for Humanity service project, a new event that allowed students to take photos with Scorch for 50 cents.

"We were able to raise over \$50 (for Habitat)," said Homecoming Co-coordinator Jed Pahan.

After the service project, there was an all-campus picnic, followed by a kickball tournament and the burning of the "M" Monday evening.

"A new event we had was the kickball tournament," Pahan said. "The Rugby men played against the SOCs, and the SOCs won."

On Tuesday, the campus mall held the Clean Start project, where items were raised for the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center, the Dragon Art contest and an ice cream social.

Organization Latina Americana, won first place in the art contest; second place went to Gamma Phi Beta and Ballard came in third.

Wednesday featured the Dragon Blood Drive, hypnotist Frederick Winters and an office decorating contest, which the Peer Advisors office won.

After a sand volleyball tournament on Thursday, seniors Alex Brown and Jill Rivinius were crowned Homecoming King and Queen during a coronation ceremony.

There was also a variety show, followed by a walk-in movie. MSUM's dance team took first place in the variety show, followed by Gamma Phi Beta in second and the cheer team in third.

Friday brought the Dragon Bash, an outdoor chili feed, along with the Homecoming Parade and a dance.

"This year was the first time ever that we had the Homecoming Parade switched to Friday," Pahan said, "which was collaborated with Moorhead High and we had 60 entries signed up."

The homecoming festivities concluded over the weekend with a lineup of Dragon sporting events. For game scores and statistics, see Page 8.

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JESSALYN BROWN / THE ADVOCATE

Yelling from the SOC float during the Homecoming Parade, junior SOC Sean Palmer cheers while passing the judges' stand. For more Homecoming photos, see Page 3.



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Sign up at Hendrix Health Center for the Walktober Challenge by Friday. Participants should form teams of three and will be given pedometers to monitor how far they walk each day. Teams can consist of students, faculty and staff. The team who walks the most steps will be eligible for weekly prizes as well as a grand prize at the end of the month. Prizes include: water bottles, T-shirts, massages and more. Contact Lynn Peterson at 477-2211 for more information.

Study in Japan on a scholarship
Students who are interested in studying in Japan during the 2008 spring semester to apply for a "Bridging Scholarship," worth \$2,500 for a semester and \$4,000 for a year. The deadline for spring semester is Friday. For more information, go to www.colorado.edu/ealc/atj/Bridging/scholarships.html.

Geneologists present workshop
"Old Trails, New Highways" is the theme for the thirty second Family History workshop scheduled from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday in the CMU. The workshop features two nationally acclaimed genealogists: Dick Eastman, author of Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter, and Kathy Meade, North American representative for Genline.

This spring break, visit France
An informational meeting about a spring break trip to Paris will be held at 4 p.m. Oct. 18 in CMU 214. Students may register for French 290 to obtain one or two credits. The group will leave Fargo on Feb. 29 and return on March 9. Faculty, staff and students are invited on the trip.

Workshop assists in resume writing
A resume workshop for non-teaching majors will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday in CMU 208. Contact career services at careers@mnstate.edu or visit their Web site at www.mnstate.edu/career. Career services is located in CMU 114.

Does science challenge religion?
Attend Dr. Allan Chapman's lecture at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in Science Lab 104 to find out how an Oxford University professor, a social historian with great interest in science and a committed Christian, answers this provocative question. For further information, contact International Programs in Frick 151. For information, call 477-4389.

Free screening of "Invisible Children"
A free screening of the film "Invisible Children," a documentary about the nighttime kidnappings of youngsters forced to fight as child soldiers in Northern Uganda, will be held at 9 p.m. Tuesday in CMU 227 and at 9 p.m. Wednesday in room 203 of the student union. Three filmmakers traveled to Uganda in 2003 to expose this story. The screening is sponsored by Support International.

McGrath poet reads from her work
Poet Sun Yung Shin, Twin Cities author of "Skirt Full of Black" will read from her work at 8 p.m. today (Thursday), as a feature of MSUM's Tom McGrath Visiting Writers Series. She'll also give a talk on the writer's craft at 4 p.m. today. Both events will be held in CMU 101. Born in Seoul, South Korea, she grew up in a Chicago suburb and now teaches English at the Perpich Center for Arts Education.

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Freshman Patrick Schilling gives blood at the Homecoming Blood Drive.

GeoClub giving out free root beer floats
Join the GeoClub today (Thursday), in King Hall 118 for free root beer floats. For more information about the GeoClub or the event, contact Nate at (701) 793-1144.

Wind ensemble performs Sunday
The MSUM Wind Ensemble, directed by John Tesch, will be in concert at 3 p.m. Sunday in Weld Hall Glasrud Auditorium. It's free and open to the public.

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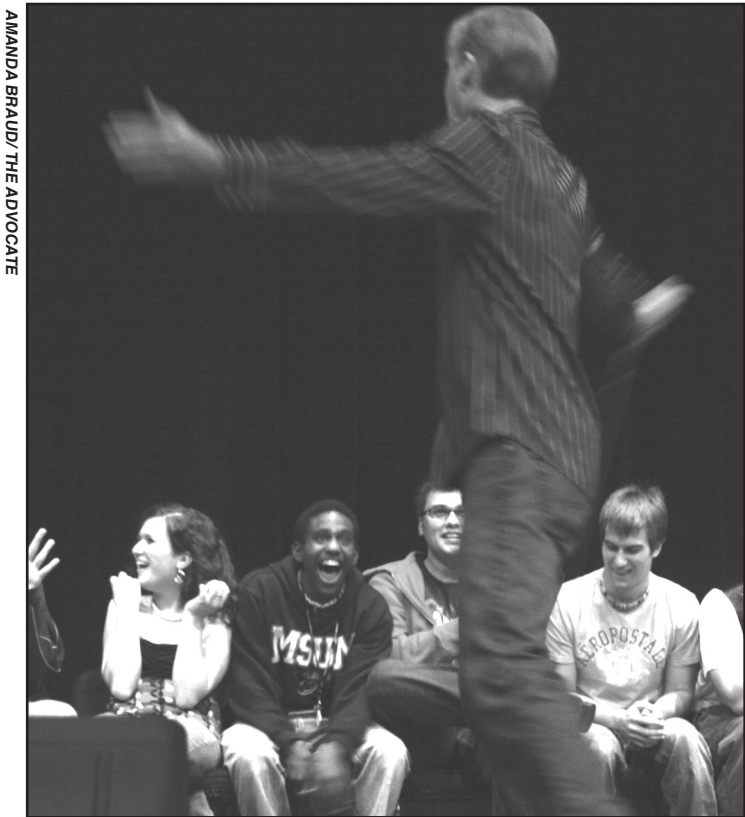
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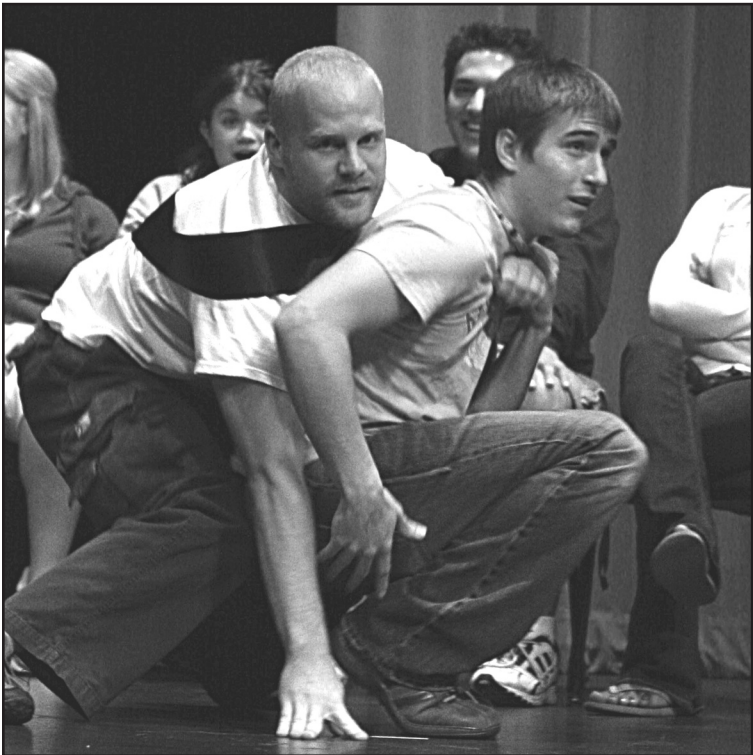
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'Best Week Ever' celebrated at MSUM



Anticipation ends for the homecoming queen hopefuls as Jill Rivinius is crowned homecoming queen during the annual homecoming coronation Thursday night, above left. On stage volunteers cover their eyes when they "realize" hypnotist Frederick Winters is clothed on the front but completely naked from behind during Winters' show on Wednesday night, above right.



Participants play mama and baby kangaroos during the hypnotist Winters' show Wednesday night, above middle. Freshman Charlie Lindemann cheers on the Dragons decked out in red paint during the homecoming game on Saturday, above.

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Thursday, October 4
(HSE) Silverstein (All Ages)
(HSE-Late) Club Go-Go/Late Night Ladies Night

Friday, October 5
(VEN) Gear Daddies
(HSE) Rocktober Fest

Saturday, October 6
(HSE) Tim Mahoney
(VEN) RedBull Flight Club

Sunday, October 7
(MAIN) NFL Football
(HSE) Open Jam

Monday, October 8
(MAIN) NFL Football
(VEN) Dakota Poker League

Tuesday, October 9
(MAIN) Men's Night

Wednesday, October 10
(VEN-Loft) Globalounge
(HSE) House party/Birthday Club

Down the Road

Thursday, October 11
(VEN) Club Go-Go/ White Party w/DJ 2nd Nature

Friday, October 12
(VEN) Planet Y White Party
(HSE) Wookiefoot

Saturday, October 13
(HSE) Post Traumatic Funk Syndrome

Sunday, October 14
(VEN) Blue October (All Ages)
(MAIN) NFL Football
(HSE) Open Jam

Monday, October 15
(MAIN) NFL Football
(VEN) Dakota Poker League

Tuesday, October 16
(MAIN) Men's Night

Wednesday, October 17
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Construction on campus may be necessary, but also annoying

You don't have to look very far, or very hard, to see all kinds of construction going on all over MSUM. Sure, it needs to be done. Buildings get old and need renovating.

However, it seems like the amount of construction around campus is becoming a greater and greater inconvenience by the day, and there doesn't appear to be an end in sight.

Since the beginning of last year, there's been some major work being done somewhere, and students have been left to put up with all the wonderful annoyances of going to a school that is constantly "under construction."

The fact that much of the work on many of the buildings on campus seems to be moving along at a snail's pace certainly doesn't help matters any, either.

Aside from the blocked walkways and excessive noise associated with working and living in a construction zone, it also makes our campus look ugly. Of course, everything will look nicer than before in the long run, but front-end loaders and raw building materials lying around certainly aren't going to be much of an incentive for potential incoming freshmen to come to our college in the near term.

For current students, construction means increased facilities fees and decreased accessibility for campus buildings and parking spaces.

Many students are still mourning the loss of the two-hour street parking spaces that once sat in front of the children's playground, near the CMU on 6th Avenue. To make way for a new parking lot, the playground has been moved and the 24 mature trees that once filled that lot have been cut down. The short-term parking lot that will take their place won't be finished until late October.

To be fair, students, faculty and staff should appreciate the fact that campus construction does benefit MSUM as an institution.

We might learn a lesson from the MSUM students of 1961 who began paying an annual \$20 fee to support the construction of the CMU, even though construction for the project did not start until the spring of 1966. If far-sighted students had not voted for fee increases and supported projects like the CMU construction, we would not have many of the wonderful facilities that are on campus today.

Now that the West doors to the CMU are closed off and there is a giant dirt pit next to Lommen, the least we can do is have some patience. Future generations of MSUM students will appreciate the spoils.

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Alcohol posters mislead Signs on campus ignore their inverse implications

You've probably seen a countless number of posters around campus plastered with the message, "Most of us (57.4 percent) do not drink to a high-risk level," or something to that effect.

That sounds like a pretty good statistic until you take a moment to think about what they're inadvertently saying there. If about 57 percent of MSUM students don't abuse alcohol, that would obviously mean 43 percent of us do. If close to half of our student body of about 7,000 to 8,000 students drinks excessively on a regular basis, that would mean literally thousands of us are alcoholics.

Kind of dampens the feel-good spirit those posters are desperately alluding to.

Ever since people figured out how to make alcohol, people have loved to get drunk, and it's probably not much of a stretch to say no one gets drunk like college kids do. Alcohol consumption has become such a deeply ingrained part of civilization

and such a widely accepted cultural norm for so many thousands of years that it's not likely humanity is ever going to get bored of getting boozed up. That is an indisputable fact of life, and it's one of those of us who choose not to

drink just have to accept.

The Upper Midwest is also notorious for its binge drinking statistics. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in 2002 and 2003, North Dakota has the highest rate of binge drinking amongst young people in the country. Minnesota also ranked fairly high in the study.

The point has been raised several times how we here at The Advocate run several ads for liquor stores each week

alongside the very sorts of ads this article is questioning. I'm fully aware of the apparent hypocrisy present there, especially when our campus is attempting to crack down on alcohol abuse (which it has actually been more or less successful in doing), and I'm not sure why we run those sorts of ads either. The best explanation I've been able to come up with is those places are popular amongst the college crowd, and the fact we have so many of those ads must mean MSUM gives them a lot of business.

Maybe it shouldn't surprise anyone then if statistics show 43 percent of MSUM students have a drinking problem. We do happen to live in one of the most drunken parts of the country. And granted, while MSUM's drinking statistics have been tapering off over the last several years, it doesn't mean alcoholism on our campus isn't still a glaring cause for concern, and it's one problem I wonder if those posters aren't simply trying to downplay by manipulating the numbers.

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Duck season sees increase in hunters, ducks

Last Saturday morning, the pick-up trucks lined the rivers and potholes as the Minnesota duck opener began.

My hunting partner and I were amazed to find we were the only hunters on the river with only a half-hour before go time. We pulled out the binoculars and started spotting down-stream and found a nice group of mergansers as well as wood ducks. We then decided what would be the best position for attack. With only a few minutes to go before the season opened, we pulled out our gleaming guns and slid in a few shells.

The next thing we knew, ill-

prepared hunters surrounded us. It seemed like the whole town had come out to foil our plans.

Out of their trucks they hopped slamming their doors and shouting at each other. Golden retrievers came bounding from the trucks and started running everywhere. This was not the ideal situation I had planned on.

After hearing reports of duck numbers being down slightly in Minnesota, I was pleased to see that not all duck num-



Michael Johnson
Columnist

bers were down. According to Ducks Unlimited, there was an increase of 14 percent in breeding ducks over last year in the 10 most common ducks of this region and also an increase in mallards by 27 percent in the Mississippi Flyway. The estimate means we are seeing the fifth largest population of breeding ducks since estimates started in 1955.

One reason we are seeing the increase in ducks, is because of the wetter-than-average spring which allowed better nesting possibilities.

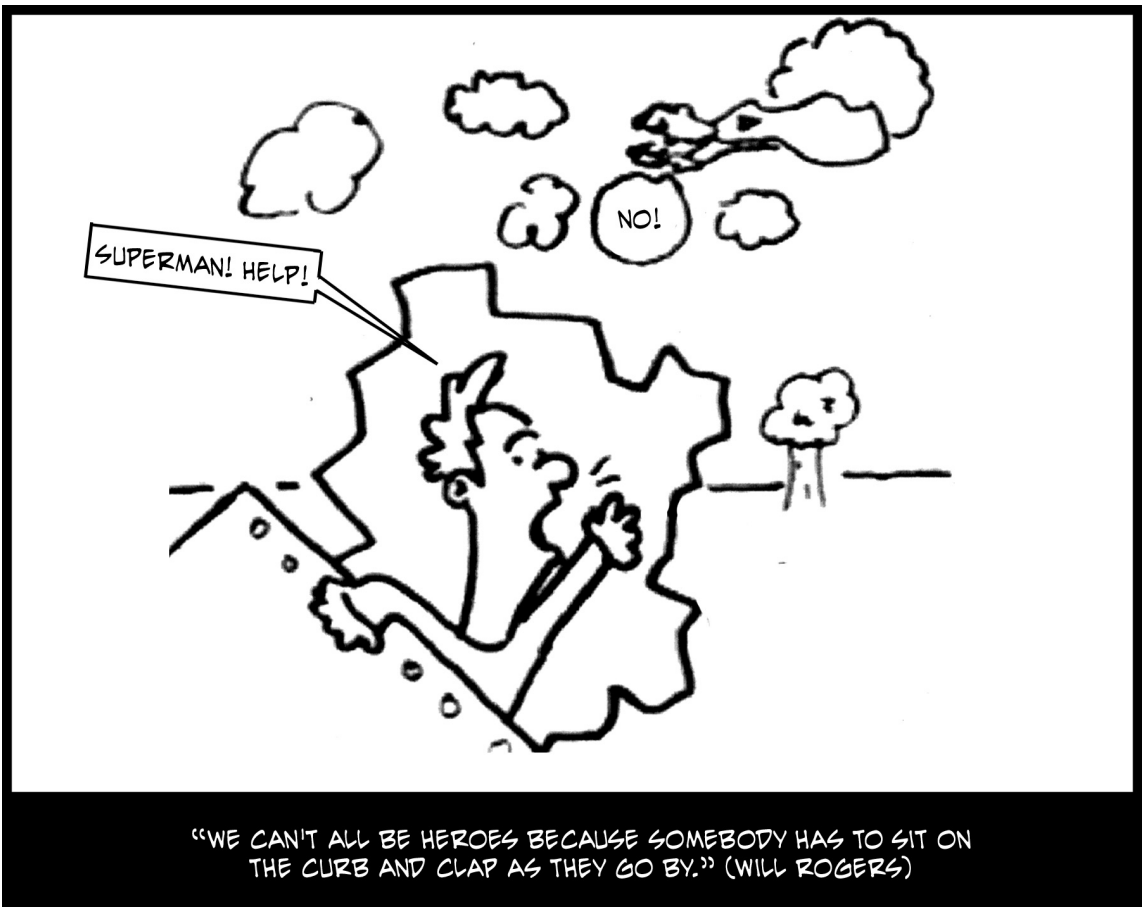
Speaking of increases, there seems to be an increase in hunters as well.

The Department of Natural Resources came out with the hunter numbers this year and though they seem to have gone down, they are up. The reason the numbers seem down is because the total population of Minnesota increased.

It seems like my hunting trips will continue to be interrupted by others as the state is continuing its efforts

to get more people hunting. Recently, some programs have been implemented to put more women and youth in the woods which include: Reducing the minimum draw weight for bows to 30 pounds from 40 pounds and apprentice hunting, which allows someone with no firearms certificate to try deer hunting out for a trial period. These will no doubt lower my chances of success in the field. For next year, perhaps they will enact a Take a Poor College Student Hunting Weekend.

Got a hunting story?
E-mail Johnson
at johnsomic@mnstate.edu.



"WE CAN'T ALL BE HEROES BECAUSE SOMEBODY HAS TO SIT ON THE CURB AND CLAP AS THEY GO BY." (WILL ROGERS)

Avoid fermented berries

The other day, I was evaluating a new admissions tour guide on his first tour. As we were walking on the sidewalk between Dahl and Snarr, a squirrel fell at least 15 feet from the tree above us and landed on its back. We were all a little shocked and I thought it was seriously injured, but, much to my surprise, it flipped over and ran back up the tree.

I kept watching this squirrel in complete awe as it ran around with another squirrel. They scurried up another tree and then—get this—they both plunged from the tree down to the hard sidewalk. At this point, I didn't know whether I



Kim Long
Columnist

should laugh or cry.

I called my brother to tell him about this hilarious incident because he and I once had another odd rodent experience when a dead gopher fell out of the sky and onto our court when we were playing tennis. I also mentioned it to my mom. She said she had witnessed similar peculiar behavior in birds when they ate fermented berries.

The mystery was solved,

the squirrels were probably drunk from eating bad berries. That's why they didn't appear to feel any pain when they hit the sidewalk.

The moral of this story is avoid fermented berries. Seriously though, I have realized that in life many things look appealing to us, but will hurt us in the end. So use discernment when looking for good berries and keep an eye out for falling squirrels!

Like eating bad berries?
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Discuss politics



Edward T.J. Brown
Columnist

A public university is a place where discussions and debates about every public policy issue are commonplace. A place where students of all parties, and no party, interact with, and learn from, another and are not afraid to ask each other or society a rendition of the old adage, "Why isn't the emperor wearing any clothes?"

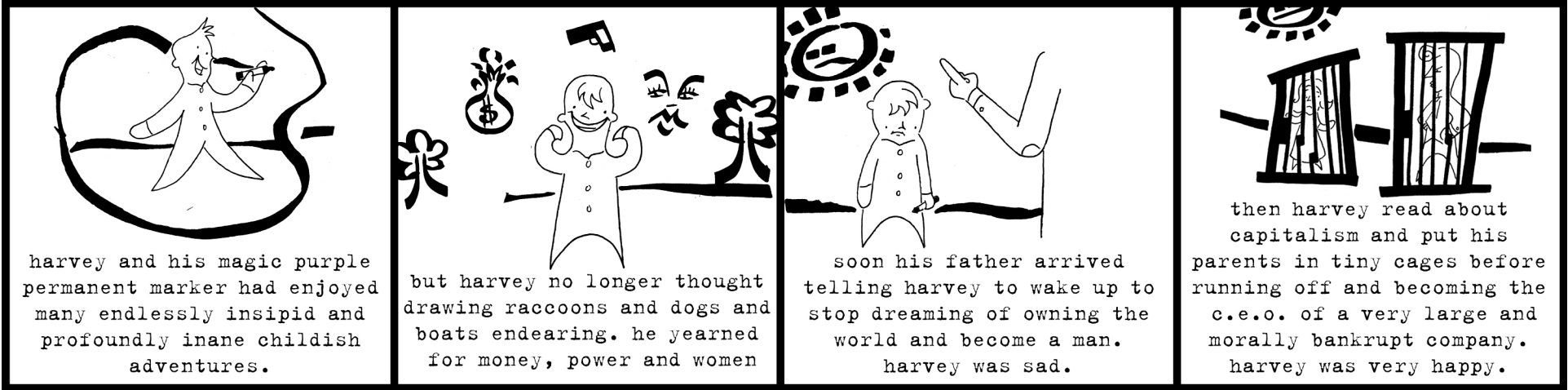
No one who creates public policy is infallible, and this is why public policy should be subjected to endless discussion and debate. That is why we should seek out policy alternatives, subject them to the same review, and implement new policy, which will also be fallible. Public universities have traditionally been the place where robust discussions, debates, and even advocacy of public policy occurred. Where people talked about and advocated for academic freedom, lowering the voting and drinking age, ending the draft and defending civil rights and liberties.

Institutions of higher education should be a place where people associate, advocate and debate and discuss public policy. It should not be a place where, among other things, students are too alienated, insulated, jaded and cynical to speak up and get involved in the debate, discussion and implementation of public policy, even when the public policy issue is the 21-mininum drinking age.

If students don't care about politics, then less of it will exist and it will avoid controversy, at all cost.

If students fail to get organized and to speak up, then policy shall become the sole domain of people who are older and wealthier than most students. If that happens, most students will find themselves on that magical, yet depressing, train to the land of low wages, high debt and no health insurance. We must be cautious of the idea that policy is infallible, unchanging and not fit for robust discussion and debate.

Care about public policy?
E-mail Brown at edwardtjbrown@yahoo.com.



Weekend of cinematic enthusiasm

Film studies students attend first South Dakota Film Festival

By MAX HEESCH
Staff Writer

What's better than spending a pleasant afternoon in a cool theater watching a movie? Watching movies all weekend, that's what!

Well, that's exactly what the Cinethusiasts, MSUM's resident film lover's club, did the weekend of Sept. 21 to 23 in Aberdeen, S.D.

More than 25 students loaded up Friday afternoon, heading to the first South Dakota Film Festival. The festival headquarters was set up at the Capitol Theatre in downtown Aberdeen.

While there, the students mingled with filmmakers from around the region, as well as participated in discussions with those filmmakers to ask them questions about how

they got their films noticed.

Opening night, the festivalgoers were treated to an exclusive showing of Sean Penn's new movie, "Into the Wild," a good portion of which was shot on-location in South Dakota.

Saturday was even more of an event, as several of the students' films were showing in the festival that day. Film students Travis Mattick,

Ryan Sailer, Gaib Wimmer, Justin Ullyott and alumni Levi Moch, John Pavlik and Amber Hagle all had showings of their work, as did film professors Kyja Kristjansson-Nelson and Tom Brandau during the weekend.

Kristhansson-Nelson submitted three documentary shorts for the festival, and Brandau presented a short comedy and his feature, "Cold

Harbor."

Moch and Ullyott's entry "Work" was awarded the Best Documentary Short award, bringing home a solid win for the university.

There were also several interesting pieces from filmmakers from around the country, ranging from Rapid City, S.D., to Hollywood. Highlights included several animated shorts involving bees to a well-done fantasy short from London.

"Being able to attend events like the South Dakota Film Festival," Brandau said, "provides our students with a fantastic opportunity to see a wide variety of very interesting films, and often meet and discuss the work with the people who made them.

"It's a great way to bridge the gap between academic pursuit and the professional filmmaking community, and it's all the more exciting when some of the films in question come from students, or recent students of our film studies program," Brandau said.

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

More than 25 film students attended the South Dakota Film festival in Aberdeen, S.D. Student Levi Moch and alumnus Justin Ullyott took home an award for Best Documentary Short for their entry, "Work."

REVIEW

'Into the Wild' combines notable talent, breathtaking S.D. scenery

By MAX HEESCH
Staff Writer

Imagine you just graduated from college, then seemingly for no reason, abandoned all your family possessions, donated all your money to charity, and set out on the road to live the life of a wanderer.

That is exactly what Emory University graduate Christopher McCandless did in the summer of 1990. Burning the contents of his wallet and ceasing communication with his family, Chris hit the road for parts unknown.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Christopher McCandless (Emile Hirsch) contemplates his life in "Into the Wild."

Adopting the name Alexander Supertramp, Chris traveled the country, meeting up with many interesting people that left a profound impression on Chris.

Over the course of the next two years, he made his way by foot to places like Los Angeles, Mexico, Colorado and South Dakota. Eventually, he made his way to the Alaskan wilderness, where his journey took a turn for the worse.

The true story, based on the 1996 book by Jon Krakauer, "Into the Wild," sports a broad ensemble cast. Leading the cast is Emile Hirsch ("The Girl Next Door") who as Chris, gives his entire being into the role, even losing 40 pounds to do so. Joining him are notable talents such as Vince Vaughn, Catherine Keener, William Hurt and Marcia Gay Harden. And that isn't even half the cast!

But, the best part of the movie is the beautiful scenery from the on-location cinematography.

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MFA student launches poetry journal 'Lovechild'

By DERRICK PAULSON

Staff Writer

The 52 pages—cover to cover—of each issue of "Lovechild" are filled with poetry, prose, artwork and black and white photos from local writers, artists and photographers such as English professor Alan Davis.

MSUM English professor Kevin Carollo read a poem he had written for the unveiling of Lovechild's second issue on Sept. 11 at the Hotel Donaldson in Fargo.

Though it happened to be his birthday, and the poem happened to be titled "Deconstructing Kevin Carollo," the occasion was not in his honor, but instead in honor of the second issue of graduate student Erik Meyer's poetry journal: "Lovechild."

In November of 2006, Erik Meyer, who is currently working toward his MFA and publishing certificate at MSUM, started accepting submissions for the first installment of "Lovechild."

Both issues of the journal released so far have a canopy-theme that Meyer explains as an "idea of mischief and having fun, as reading something silly and not always knowing

what you are going to get, but trusting that it will be good."

"I wanted to do something different, something people could pick up and read one page and that's fine—they don't have to read it all in succession," Meyer said. "I wanted something that people could access easily—flip to a random page and it doesn't matter that it's a random page."

Though Meyer is the founder and managing editor of the journal, he has had help and support for Lovechild from the MSUM English department faculty, sponsors in the F-M community, and many other local writers. Ken Bennett, an MSUM adjunct like Meyer, is listed as the poetry editor; Julie Larson has helped with layout and is currently in MSUM's MLA program, and undergraduate Dan Nygard has helped proofread the final manuscripts. Meyer also received a grant from the Lake Region Arts Council to help with publication costs.

"At this point, I would like to break even—if not have a little more for the next issue," Meyer said.

Both issues of the journal are available for sale at the Red Raven Espresso Parlor, Babb's

Coffeehouse and Zandbroz Variety Store.

Some examples of the works included in the latest edition are "Super Mario Blues," a poem by Adam Quesnell that hails the video game brothers' heroism and valor in the 'fungal civilization' and a photograph entitled "Winter Archer," by English professor Thom Tammaro.

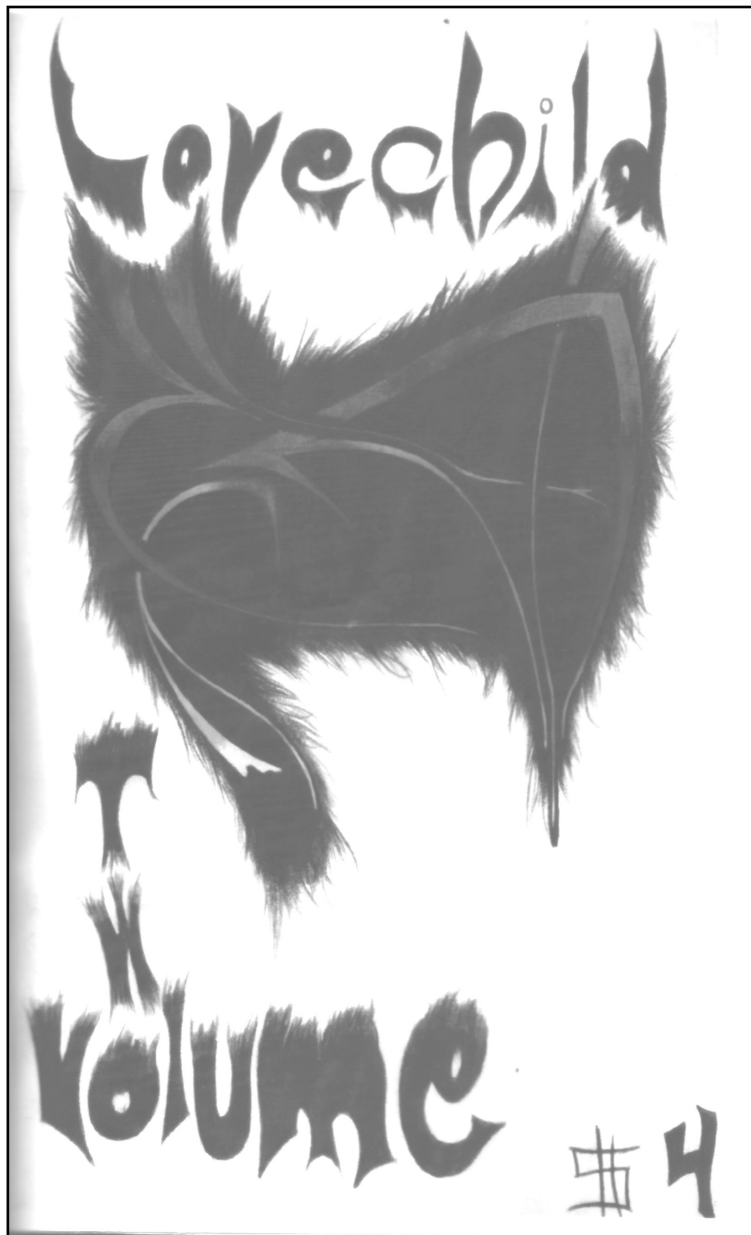
"It's a melding of a lot of different peoples' work," Meyer said.

Meyer plans to release a new issue of Lovechild every four months. The tentative date for submissions for the third installment is Nov. 9, so that the issue can make it to print by mid-January to early February of 2008. For more information on how to submit works to this journal, visit www.lovechildjournal.com.

The Web site also includes a listing of upcoming reading places and times. More readings at the Red Raven and the Upfront Gallery are being planned for the second edition in the near future.

"Lovechild is Erik Meyer's brainchild," Carollo said, "and I love to be a part of this. Cheers Erik. Keep going."

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Luke Hagen
Sports Editor



Gilles, rushing attack, important factor in Dragons' success

Enol Gilles has purchased doughnuts for the offensive line three times this season.

Every game the sophomore running back rushes for 100 yards or more, he buys the men blocking for him bear claws, Boston crèmes and Bismarcks on Sunday, the day after game day.

Coincidentally, the offensive line has eaten at Gilles' expense every time the Dragons have won.

Gilles has rushed 82 times for 372 yards this season, averaging 4.5 yards per carry. The Dragons have won against Mayville State, Wayne State College and the University of Upper Iowa. In those three games, Gilles had a total of 335 yards. In the Dragon's two losses against Concordia College and Bemidji State, Gilles totaled 47 yards.

"The running game allows our offense to be consistent," Gilles said.

This was proven on Saturday, when the Dragons beat Upper Iowa, 31-28. After Gilles rushed for 114 yards the week before against Wayne State, Upper Iowa's defense played with eight men in the box. This opened up the passing game in the first half and forced the Peacocks defense to cover MSUM's receivers. The second half Gilles and the Dragons' rushing attack closed the game out.

Head coach Damon Tomeo understands that the Dragons need to have a multidimensional offense to be successful.

"Enol feeds off of our passing attack and the passing game is directly correlated to how we're rushing the ball," Tomeo said.

Although the team has won all of the games Gilles has broken 100, Tomeo isn't interested in statistics.

"It doesn't matter if Enol rushes for 150 yards or Dustin (Long) throws for 500, we're most interested in the 'W.'"

For the Dragons, the game is won or lost in the trenches, and that puts a lot of pressure on the offensive line to perform well on Saturday.

"(If I was to pick), the game ball should usually go to the offensive linemen as a group," Gilles said.

Tomeo said he has been pleased with the play of the offensive line this season.

Offensive line coach Ben Olson said the four seniors and one sophomore who make up the offensive line have come together well recently.

They're probably working hard to get their Sunday doughnuts.

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Dragons make homecoming a success

By Ryan Stieg

Staff Writer

After a blowout win over Wayne State last weekend, the Dragons returned home, and sent a raucous homecoming crowd home happy after gutting out a 31-28 victory over the Peacocks of Upper Iowa.

The Dragon offense started off blazing. A 13-play, 71-yard drive led to an 11-yard touchdown pass from Dustin Long to Bruce Green.

After a strong defensive stop, the MSUM offense scored again. Another long drive, with a highlight leaping catch by Green and an effective run by Enol Gilles, culminated with a touchdown strike to tight-end Eric Eager to give the Dragons a quick 14-0 lead.

"We came out strong, and we just pounded it straight at them," Gilles said.

Gilles would lead the Dragon rushing attack, finishing with 104 yards on the ground.

The Peacocks wouldn't back down, though. On the next drive, quarterback Kevin Linnell put together a strong drive of his own, and scored on a 3-yard run to cut the Dragon's lead to seven at the end of the first quarter.

The teams exchanged punts, and the Dragons got some help from the wind. A strong 30 mph wind caused Upper Iowa's punt to go straight up in the air, and only fall six yards.

With outstanding field position, it took only two plays for MSUM to score, and it came off the feet of Long, who scrambled for a 19-yard touchdown run.

"Dustin has been playing

hard, and has been making some big plays for us," assistant coach Joel Beard said.

The Peacocks wouldn't go away and would score again.

After an impressive drive, highlighted by a 59-yard run by T.C. Hicks fell short of the goal line, Linnell would hit Ryan Hudgins, who made a phenomenal one-handed grab for a 21-yard gain. Kyle Hosch caught a 10-yard touchdown pass to make the score 21-14.

The Dragons would answer back. Passes from Long to Bert Smith and Jabari Taylor brought the ball deep into Peacock territory, and a diving catch by Taylor in the end zone sent the Dragons into the half with a two score lead.

The third quarter was filled with strong defense.

A costly turnover would keep Upper Iowa in the game. Long fumbled giving the Peacocks the ball in Dragon territory with one quarter left to play.

Upper Iowa would take advantage of this mistake as Linnell would hit Hudgins for a large gain, and then hit Aaron McFarland for a 9-yard score, cutting the Dragon lead to just seven points.

Another scamper by Long

gave the Dragons a first down on their next drive, but it stalled and the Dragons were forced to a field goal.

Kyle Wilcox was then called on to extend the Dragon lead to 10.

Bruce Green

• 6-foot junior wide receiver from Miami, FL.

• Currently has 20 catches for 347 yards and 4 touchdowns.

• Set MSUM single season record with 12 touchdowns in 2006.

The sophomore would come through for his team with a 45-yard kick, off of a great hold by Tim Zander.

"It was a high snap, and with the wind behind me, all I had to do was get a

foot on it, and it went through," Wilcox said.

Twenty-seven seconds later a scrambling Linnell would hit Dwayne Croker near the sideline, and Croker weaved through the Dragon defense for an 80-yard touchdown.

With the score 31-28, the Dragon defense needed to step up. With the ball in

MSUM territory, the defense dug in, and stopped the explosive Peacock offense on fourth down, sealing the win for the Dragons.

"We played pretty good, and we stepped up when we needed to. This is a really big win for us," linebacker Trent Johnson said.

Head coach Damon Tomeo was proud of his defense.

"It was time for them to stand up and make a point, and they did that in a resounding manner," he said. "Our whole team contributed today. It's always great when everyone contributes to a win."

Next week, Winona State comes to town. According to Coach Tomeo, the game should be a good one.

"It's going to be the best place to be in town," he said.

Game time is 1 p.m. at Nemzek Field.

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MSUM 31, Upper Iowa 28

MSUM	14	14	0	3-31
WSC	7	7	0	14-28

Scoring Summary

MSUM-Green, Bruce 11 yd pass from Long, Dustin (Wilcox, Kyle kick)
MSUM-Eager, Eric 9 yd pass from Long, Dustin (Wilcox, Kyle kick)
UIU-Linnell, Kevin 3 yd run (Mike Sharp kick)
MSUM-Long, Dustin 19 yd run (Wilcox, Kyle kick)
UIU-Hosch, Kyle 10 yd pass from Linnell, Kevin (Mike Sharp kick)
MSUM-Taylor, Jabari 11 yd pass from Long, Dustin (Wilcox, Kyle kick)
UIU-McFarland, Aaron 9 yd pass from Linnell, Kevin (Gus Preuss kick)
MSUM-Wilcox, Kyle 45 yd field goal
UIU-Croker, Dwayne 80 yd pass from Linnell, Kevin (Mike Sharp kick)

TEAM STATISTICS

	MSUM	UIU
First downs	27	16
Rushes-yards	44-182	31-146
Passing	242	227
Comp-Att-Int	42-21-0	30-18-1
Punts-Avg.	3-33.0	4-38.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-25	7-44
Time of Possession	35:56	24:04

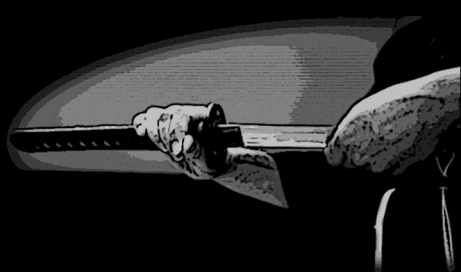
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: MSUM-Gilles, Enol 26-104; Long, Dustin 12-77; Larson, Jesse 2-6; Bedgood, Curtis 3-3; Wilks, Jr., Pri 1-minus 8.
UIU-Hicks, TC 18-114; Croker, Dwayne 3-20; Linnell, Kevin 6-6; Hosch, Kyle 1-5; Stene, Steven 2-1; McFarland, Aaron 1-0.
PASSING: MSUM-Long, Dustin 21-42-0-242.
UIU-Linnell, Kevin 18-30-1-227.
RECEIVING: MSUM-Taylor, Jabari 6-60; Smith, Bert 5-77; Green, Bruce 4-44; Zander, Tim 3-33; Gilles, Enol 1-10; Frost, Eric 1-9; Eager, Eric 1-9.
UIU-Croker, Dwayne 8-118; Hosch, Kyle 3-33; Conrad, Allen 3-23; Hudgins, Ryan 2-43; McFarland, Aaron 1-9; Hicks, TC 1-1.
INTERCEPTIONS: MSUM-Leggins, Bryce 1-0.
FUMBLES: MSUM-Long, Dustin 1-1.



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Freshman Clare Dozier leaves the Concordia University goalie in the dust during the second half of the game on Sunday to tie the score at one. The Dragons won the game 3-1.

Soccer team on a winning roll

By Nick Weaver

Staff Writer

The MSUM soccer team had a good week. They won games Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, stretching their winning streak to four games.

The Dragons started out by beating Jamestown College 2-0 on Thursday. Neither team scored in the first period, but second period goals by freshman Clare Dozier and sophomore Jena Reed gave the Dragons a victory.

Coach Rollie Bullock was happy that his team stayed with the game plan, after neither team scored in the first period.

On Saturday, a Canadian school, Providence College, came to town but they were no match for the home team. It was the first matchup between the two schools and Bullock did not know what to expect.

The Dragons dominated from the start, scoring three first period goals. They added four more in the second period for a 7-0 win. Reed and fellow sophomore Katie Wiese led the charge with two goals apiece.

Goalkeeper Amanda Schlosser had an easy day, only having to stop one shot. Bullock was happy with the team's effort and was happy to find playing time for all of the players.

"I think it was a good way for us to set the tone for Sunday," Bullock said.

On Sunday the Dragons got a win in the conference opener against Concordia University (St. Paul).

Concordia jumped out to a 1-0 lead, scoring the only goal in the first period. But the Dragons came out strong in the second period, scoring the only three goals to claim a 3-1 win.

Dozier started the scoring and Katie Hiemstra and Richelle Ross added goals for the final tally.

The win improved the Dragons overall record to 6-6 and gave them a 1-0 record in

NSIC Conference games.

Bullock was happy again that his team stayed with the game plan after falling behind in the first period.

"It was a good victory for us," Bullock said. "It's a great way to start out with our conference season."

The Dragons will take to the road for their next two NSIC Conference games. They will travel to Crookston on Saturday to take on the University of Minnesota Crookston and to Bemidji on Sunday to take on Bemidji State University. Bullock believes that both games are

winnable, but he knows that anything can happen in either game.

"Our conference is going to come down, just like last year, to the very last game to determine probably the top four to six places," Bullock said.

Freshman midfielder Tricia Vanyo is leading the team in goals, 5, and points, 13, for the team.

The Dragons are averaging two goals per game and are allowing 1.97.

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Sophomore forward Katie Wiese dives for a ball against Concordia University in the first half of the game on Sunday. Wiese has three goals and two assists on the season.

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Wilcox named NSIC player of the week

MSUM sophomore kicker Kyle Wilcox converted all four extra points and nailed a 45-yard field goal during the 31-28 homecoming victory against Upper Iowa. Wilcox also averaged 33.0 yards on 3 punts.

Hiemstra named Dragon athlete of the week

Junior Katie Hiemstra was honored for her game winning goal in the Dragons 3-1 victory over Concordia on Sunday.

Dragon women place seventh

In a field of 11 teams, MSUM placed seventh at the Sioux Invitational in Grand Forks on Sunday and Monday.

Junior Chelsey Ouren shot the best score for MSUM, 20 over par with scores of 83, 81.

Volleyball back at Nemzek

The volleyball team will be at home on Saturday. The Dragons face Concordia at 4 p.m.

MSUM is 11-4 overall and 6-2 in the NSIC.

Last week MSUM swept Northern State, and University of Mary on a NSIC weekend roadtrip.

Megan Norling posted a club high 25 kills in the victory at NSU and 18 kills against Mary. Laura Tvrdik was credited with 15 kills against the Wolves. Julie Vancura delivered 122 assists and 58 digs in the two matches.

Cross Country heads to Jamestown

The men and womens cross country teams will compete in the Jamestown College Invitational Saturday at 4 p.m.

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Laughing for a good reason Comedy show aids small town tornado victims

By KRISTEN UNDERDAHL

Staff Writer

A tornado with winds reaching 138 mph or more and a width of approximately eight-tenths of a mile struck Northwood, N.D., a town of around 950 people, on Aug. 26, killing one person and injuring 18.

Tornadoes Suck! a benefit comedy show for the Northwood tornado victims raised over \$1,300 during the Sept. 14 benefit at Gaede Stage.

The comedy groups that performed include The Bearded Men Improv, a MSUM based improv group; The Linebenders, a professional improv troupe based in the F-M area; and The Sketch Comedy Troupe, an MSUM

based group.

Money was raised through a \$5 admission fee, as well as raffle tickets and a bake sale. Proceeds went to the Northwood theater program.

"Tim Lane came up with the idea," said Steven Molony, co-founder of the Sketch Comedy Troupe. "We all thought this was a good idea so we got the ball rolling. After that it was just putting a format to the show."

Senior Tim Lane is a co-founder of The Sketch Comedy Troupe. He came up with the idea for the benefit while listening to news about fundraisers for Northwood on the radio.

The Sketch Comedy Troupe plans on having two more shows this semester—one in late October or early November

and one on Dec. 14.

"It's on a Friday of finals week, so it should be a good chance to forget about all the stuff we learned," Molony said about the December show.

More information about The Sketch Comedy Troupe can be found on Facebook and MySpace.

The Bearded Men also plan on having other shows throughout the year. More information can be found on their Web site, www.bearded-menimprov.com, and around campus as events draw near.

More information on The Linebenders can be found on their Web site, www.thelinebenders.com.

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With regard to the construction projects on campus, Physical Plant Manager Jeff Goebel offers a more in-depth look at what is going on right now.

He is currently involved with the Wellness Center project, the parking lot construction between the CMU and Lommen, and coming up is also the renovation of the green house in King, which will become an archaeology lab.

Goebel also oversees a

slough of other projects, many of which the Physical Plant staff itself carries out.

"Some of the smaller projects we actually perform ourselves. The Physical Plant staff actually operates like a small construction company for the campus," Goebel said.

The Wellness Center near Ballard is a project of particular significance at this time.

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We're planning to open up (the Wellness Center) next year. It's an exciting project.

Daniel Kirk
VP of Facilities
and Administration

According to Goebel, the project is going well, despite a few obstacles.

"There are a lot of obstacles or issues in any construction project," Goebel said. "They certainly had some with the Wellness Center in terms of waiting for state plan reviews, state plumbing plan reviews, storm water permits...but those are all normal in the construction industry."

"We're planning to open up


(the Wellness Center) next year. It's an exciting project," said Vice President of Facilities and Administration Kirk. "It will really be a great resource for students. It's near the dorms. It's near the hub of activity... and I think it's going to be a great amenity for the campus and the community."

As a newcomer to MSUM, Kirk offers a fresh view of

campus.

"I am very impressed with this place," he said. "I have been very impressed with the people and leadership, and I am very impressed with the community. The faculty are top-notch. Every day is a pleasant surprise for me."

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Bookstore discontinues books

English honor society protests the removal of trade books

By AMY LEARN
Staff Writer

Jess Schrader, president of the English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, is asking the Bookstore for fewer sweat-shirts and more books.

After a professor in the English department made a comment about the dwindling number of trade books in the MSUM Bookstore, Schrader got an idea that might help bring back the books.

She brought up her concern at a Sigma Tau Delta meeting, and the organization decided to take action. The group started a petition to get more trade books back into the store.

Right now, the petition holds about 100 signatures, but it continues to grow.

"We hope the Bookstore sees that the people on campus want the books," Schrader said.

According to Kim Samson,

Bookstore director, the store was first remodeled 15 years ago to accommodate MSUM's increasing student population.

With a growing enrollment, the Bookstore had to grow as well. However, trade book sales did not increase at the same rate as the student population.

Also, businesses like Barnes and Noble and Amazon.com have cut into the Bookstore's trade book sales.

Over the past five years, the Bookstore has been condensing the number of trade books to match the number of sales, Samson said.

The original trade book section was very large and had a vast selection of titles. Now the section is located in the back of the store with a smaller selection.

"It was beautiful," Samson said. "We could have trade books all the way to the walk-

way, but if they don't sell, what's the point?"

Because the Bookstore's selection of titles is smaller, it mainly focuses on carrying regional and faculty authors.

Sigma Tau Delta is aware of the store's reasons for condensing of the books, but group members would still like to see more brought in.

"Since we are a campus, it shouldn't be about profit," Schrader said.

Schrader plans on meeting with the Bookstore and sharing Sigma Tau Delta's ideas, but she wants to wait until the petition is stronger and has more signatures.

If anyone is interested in signing the petition, visit the English Department office in Weld 216. Faculty and students there would be happy to answer questions about the petition.

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